

Executive Order 2008-29
Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy Utilization

WHEREAS, implementation of energy efficiency measures provides a cost effective and environmentally responsible way to address ever increasing energy usage, energy costs and air pollution.

WHEREAS, it is vital that the State of Arizona undertake aggressive efforts to promote energy efficiency and the development of renewable energy.

WHEREAS, State funded energy improvements in public buildings will reduce energy consumption, save money, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and create jobs.

WHEREAS, the widespread implementation of solar power throughout the State has the potential to transform Arizona's economy by creating additional private sector jobs associated with manufacturing and installation, by improving the environment and reducing power plant emissions, and by generating revenues from the sale of solar energy,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby declare and order the following initiatives to provide the foundation of vigorous energy efficiency and renewable energy effort in Arizona State government and direct:

1. All State agencies in cooperation with the Arizona Energy Office, to conduct an analysis of their energy usage and identify what is required of each to reach the existing goals for energy usage reductions in State buildings contained in ARS 34-451 and Executive Order 2005-05 and Executive Order 2003-14. This analysis should be completed by January 15, 2009.
2. The Department of Administration to immediately begin initiating energy performance contracts to implement energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in all State agencies that are not in compliance with ARS 34-451. The Department of Administration shall report on its progress on a quarterly basis beginning on April 1, 2009.
3. The Arizona Energy Office to accelerate efforts to promote the use of energy performance contracts as an appropriate financing mechanism to fund energy efficiency and renewable energy projects for school districts and local governments.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have unto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.


GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on the 16 day of December in the year Two Thousand and Eight and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-Third.

ATTEST:


Secretary of State

